

consideration of H.R. 1473, Department of Defense and Full-Year Continuing Appropriations Act, 2011. The rule provides one hour of debate on H.R. 1473 to be equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of H.R. 1473. The rule provides that H.R. 1473 shall be considered as read. The rule provides that all points of order against provisions in H.R. 1473 are waived. The rule provides one motion to recommit H.R. 1473. The rule provides that if H.R. 1473 is passed by the House, it shall be in order to separately consider H. Con. Res. 35, Directing the Clerk of the House of Representatives to Make a Correction in the Enrollment of H.R. 1473 and H. Con. Res. 36, Directing the Clerk of the House of Representatives to Make a Correction in the Enrollment of H.R. 1473, each under a closed rule. The rule provides twenty minutes of debate on H. Con. Res. 35, and twenty minutes of debate on H. Con. Res. 36, to be equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of H. Con. Res. 35 and H. Con. Res. 36. The rule provides that H. Con. Res. 35 and H. Con. Res. 36 shall be considered as read. The rule provides that if the House receives a message from the Senate transmitting its passage of H.R. 1473 without amendment, then the Clerk shall not certify an enrollment of the bill until notified by the Speaker or by message from the Senate that the Senate has taken the question on adoption of H. Con. Res. 35 and H. Con. Res. 36, if previously adopted by the House. Testimony was heard from Chairman Rogers, Rep. Dicks, Rep. Norton, and Rep. Kucinich.

REPEAL THE PREVENTION AND PUBLIC HEALTH FUND

Committee on Rules: The Committee granted, by voice vote, a structured rule providing for consideration of the bill H.R. 1217, to Repeal the Prevention and Public Health Fund. The rule provides for one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Energy and Commerce. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the bill shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill. The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in the Rules Committee report accompanying the resolution. The rule provides that each such amendment may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time

specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in the report. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Rep. Pitts; Rep. Pallone; and Rep. Jackson Lee of Texas.

REDUCING REGULATORY BURDENS AND ENSURING SAFE TRANSPORTATION OF HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials held a hearing on Reducing Regulatory Burdens and Ensuring Safe Transportation of Hazardous Materials, 3 p.m., 2167 Rayburn. Testimony was heard from Cynthia Quarterman, Administrator, Pipelines and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration; and public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13, 2011

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Financial Service and General Government, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2012 for the Internal Revenue Service, 10:30 a.m., SD-138.

Subcommittee on Department of Defense, to receive a closed briefing on the proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2012 United States Pacific Command (PACOM), 10:30 a.m., S-217, Capitol.

Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2012 for the Army Corps of Engineers and Bureau of Reclamation, 2 p.m., SD-192.

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support, to hold hearings to examine the current materiel readiness of U.S. Forces in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2012 and the Future Years Defense Program, 10 a.m., SR-232A.

Subcommittee on Personnel, to hold hearings to examine the Active, Guard, Reserve, and civilian personnel programs in review of the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2012 and the Future Years Defense Program, 1:30 p.m., SR-222.

Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, to hold hearings to examine ballistic missile defense policies and programs in review of the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year

2012 and the Future Years Defense Program; with the possibility of a closed session in SVC–217 following the open session, 2:30 p.m., SR–232A.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries, and Coast Guard, to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request and oversight for fiscal year 2012 for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), 2:30 p.m., SR–253.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: business meeting to consider S. 782, to amend the Public Works and Economic Development Act of 1965 to reauthorize that Act, S. 680, to authorize the Administrator of General Services to convey a parcel of real property in the District of Columbia to provide for the establishment of a National Women's History Museum, and S. 710, to amend the Solid Waste Disposal Act to direct the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to establish a hazardous waste electronic manifest system, Time to be announced, Room to be announced.

Full Committee, to hold an oversight hearing to examine domestic renewable fuels, focusing on ethanol and advanced biofuels, 10 a.m., SD–406.

Committee on Finance: to hold hearings to examine perspectives on deficit reduction, 10 a.m., SD–215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine international development policy priorities in the fiscal year 2012 budget, 2 p.m., SD–419.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: business meeting to consider S. 679, to reduce the number of executive positions subject to Senate confirmation, S. 772, to protect Federal employees and visitors, improve the security of Federal facilities and authorize and modernize the Federal Protective Service, S. 550, to improve the provision of assistance to fire departments, S. 300, to prevent abuse of Government charge cards, S. 498, to ensure objective, independent review of task and delivery orders, S. 762, to improve the Federal Acquisition Institute, S. 191, to direct the Department of Homeland Security to undertake a study on emergency communications, S. 514, to amend chapter 21 of title 5, United States Code, to provide that fathers of permanently disabled or deceased veterans shall be included with mothers of such veterans as preference eligibles for treatment in the civil service, S. Res. 128, expressing the sense of the Senate that public servants should be commended for their dedication and continued service to the Nation during Public Service Recognition Week, May 1 through 7, 2011, and the nomination of Rafael Borrás, of Maryland, to be Under Secretary of Homeland Security for Management, 11 a.m., SD–342.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings to examine fulfilling our commitment to support victims of crime, 10 a.m., SD–226.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Henry F. Floyd, of South Carolina, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit, Nelva Gonzales Ramos, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Texas, Richard Brooke Jackson, to be United States District Judge for the District of Colorado, Sara Lynn Darrow, to be United States District

Judge for the Central District of Illinois, and Lisa O. Monaco, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, 3 p.m., SD–226.

Committee on Rules and Administration: business meeting to consider the nomination of William J. Boorman, of Maryland, to be Public Printer, Government Printing Office, 10 a.m., SR–301.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: to hold hearings to examine veterans' employment, focusing on improving the transition from the battlefield to the workforce, 10 a.m., SR–418.

Special Committee on Aging: to hold hearings to examine the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and the reform of the medical device approval process, 2 p.m., SD–562.

House

Committee on Agriculture, Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities and Risk Management, hearing on Implementing Dodd-Frank: A Review of the CFTC's Rulemaking Process, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry, hearing on the state of the poultry industry, 2 p.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Defense, hearing on Defense Acquisition, 10 a.m., H–140 Capitol.

Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, and Related Agencies, Members Day hearing, 11 a.m., HT–2 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies, hearing on Examining Fragmentation and Overlap of Federal Education Programs, 10:30 a.m., 2358–C Rayburn.

Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing to receive testimony on Guantanamo detainee transfer policy and recidivism, 2:30 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Readiness, hearing to receive testimony on the fiscal year 2012 national defense authorization budget request for military construction, base closure, environment, facilities operation and maintenance, 3:30 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Energy and Power, hearing on Jobs and Energy Permitting Act of 2011 legislation, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Government Reform, hearing entitled "Import Safety: Status of FDA's Screening Efforts at the Border", 10:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere, hearing on Priorities for U.S. Assistance in the Western Hemisphere, 10:30 a.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, and Human Rights, hearing on Crisis in Cote d'Ivoire: Implications for the Country and Region, 9 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on the Middle East and South Asia, hearing on Shifting Sands: Political Transitions in the Middle East, Part 1, 2:30 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications, hearing entitled "Taking Measure of Countermeasures

(Part 1): A review of government and industry efforts to protect the homeland through accelerated research, development, and acquisition of chemical, biological, radiological and nuclear medical countermeasures”, 2 p.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Immigration Policy and Enforcement, hearing on the H-2A Visa Program: Meeting the Growing Needs of American Agriculture, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Courts, Commercial and Administrative Law, hearing on legislation regarding the Business Activity Tax Simplification Act of 2011, 1:30 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, Full Committee, markup of H.R. 1229, Putting the Gulf of Mexico Back to Work Act; H.R. 1230, Restarting American Offshore Leasing Now Act; and H.R. 1231, Reversing President Obama's Offshore Moratorium Act.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Full Committee, markup on the following: H.R. 828, Federal Employee Tax Accountability Act of 2011; H.R. 829, Contracting and Tax Accountability Act of 2011; H.R. 1470, to amend title 5, United States Code, to extend the probationary period applicable to appointments in the civil service, and for other purposes; and H.R. 1423, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 115 4th Avenue Southwest in Ardmore, Oklahoma, as the “Specialist Micheal E. Phillips Post Office”. 9:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, U.S. Postal Service and Labor Policy, hearing entitled, “Federal Employees’ Compensation Act: A Fair Approach?” 1:30 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, Full Committee hearing on H. Con. Res. 34, Establishing the budget for the United States

Government for fiscal year 2012 and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2013 through 2021. 3 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, Subcommittee on Technology and Innovation, markup on legislation to create jobs through the Small Business Innovation Act of 2011, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Investigations and Oversight, hearing on Green Jobs and Red Tape: Assessing Federal Efforts to Encourage Employment, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, Full Committee, hearing on How Tax Complexity Hinders Small Businesses: The Impact on Job Creation and Economic Growth, 1 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, hearing on Improving and Streamlining the Coast Guard's Acquisition Program, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled “Inspect What You Expect: Construction Contracting Practices at the Department of Veterans Affairs”, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, Full Committee, hearing on the special burdens that the tax code imposes on individual taxpayers and families and on the need for comprehensive tax reform to address these problems, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Social Security, hearing to examine the role of Social Security numbers in identity theft and options to guard their privacy, 2 p.m., B-318 Rayburn.

House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, Subcommittee on Terrorism, HUMINT, Analysis, and Counterintelligence, hearing on Muslim Brotherhood, 2 p.m., 210 Cannon.